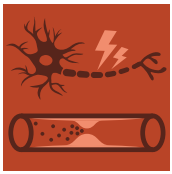

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These diseases affect millions of people worldwide and pose significant challenges for diagnosis, management, and research.

Sclerosis aims to provide a platform for the dissemination of cutting-edge research and clinical practice in this field. Looking to similarities and differences among "sclerotic" diseases, we aim at identifying shared pathological mechanisms and risk factors, management pathways, and drugs with repurposing potential, as well as discovering potential avenues for preventive and therapeutic strategies.

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- Systemic sclerosis
- Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- Neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder
- Atherosclerosis
- Focal segmental glomerulosclerosis
- Hippocampal sclerosis
- Lichen sclerosus
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- Primary lateral sclerosis
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